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Dear Mr May

I had your letter today and send the penhance of the Advocate for dinner complete no, which are all sent in Dublin. I will write to Mr Estlin, to whom I sent a large supply, & request him to forward the no 1 to the address for him.

We have at length after great trouble and going through many formalities obtained the privilege of using the newspapers stamp - but have not yet got formal leave from the Postmaster General to send them by post, for which only the stamp is of value. So that I do not yet know whether the papers will be looked on as a pamphlet or an unstamped newspaper at the Post office. In the latter case they may decline to forward them. If they say it is a pamphlet they must send the papers forward in compliance with the

Put off the convention with the United
States. You will say - why not ask?
Well, I did ask today - but they could
not take me on the spot and although
they thought I might venture to send,
they desired me to address a formal
demand for information to the
secretary - which I mean to do.

Meanwhile I will venture there
and will be glad to know from you
by a newspaper directed to me in
your handwriting which I will take
as a signal that they have come to
hand. I mean to send the same
subsequently by another opportunity in a
few days so that if these miss you
will still have what you require.
I hope in a short time we will be
set into track.

I cannot tell whether the paper will
be or not. I ought to be acceptable
to the public, for though I say it who
should not say it, I think the paper
a good one, as far as it goes. It is
compiled & prepared with great care

and as you know Mr Estlin & I
are better fitted by information &
intercourse with headmasters in
America to give correct information
on American Slavery than most
people in these islands. There is
no doubt - for the general ignorance
is prodigious. Mr Estlin pays
the bill in the hope that the sales
may at the end of the year leave him
not altogether out of pocket. Some other
persons who acted in the same
way - but he is our main stay. I
devote a good deal of time so that I
do not look upon the job of printing as
by any means a profitable one. He
will thank his money, and I shall
before if my time be spent so as
to secure a position for the paper;
such an organ was greatly required
and the habilitiy of the friends of
the Broad Street Society is being better
against any out and out anti-slavery
efforts in this country. Their hostility
and their pride are both stirred up
against us.

Write you to C.K. Whipple that I
have a warm regard for him & that
for the last 12 years I have read what-
ever I met with ~~that~~ ^{mentioned} by
~~with~~ his materials, with peculiar interest.

I thought of the desirableness of reprinting
wider books during the heyday of the popu-
larity of "Uncle Tom" and wrote to one
of the London publishers, mentioning the
character of the work & offering a copy
as copy if he wished to underwrite it.
I got no reply. I also managed to
get the "spectator" of the morning advertised
to call upon another of these publishers
to see his ^{eloquence} ~~eloquence~~. But so far with
no success. I fear the book is too
statistical & matter of fact. It would
be looked upon as a report, or a "blue
book", something that people don't buy -
that they get for nothing - and are
thankful for reading. You will see in
no 3 how hard that I again press
the value & importance of a reprint
of wider books.
Amongst the things sent in the
Parker boxes were a bag and a back
by Miss Parker - priced 8/10/- but even

the same letter or somebody that
I cut off the prices for bears of the
Custom House. I am particularly
desirous to know whether the
bears got safe, and how they got
through the Custom House - I mean
how much duty was demanded
of them when there. I cannot expect
A. W. W. to say - but you might
perhaps let me know for my guidance
on future occasions.

If we want printed Standard papers
to you we must also pay a penny
on them; this would make each
paper 3 of our shillings. If we hope
seriously, we need not stamp the
American copies, 2 shillings will be
sufficient.

I wish to see them on to Verplanck
mean which I wish to see over the way
for the letter - I suppose it was
in the Lib. & Q. S. Standard. It is
just such information that sends
me often particularly. There is no
satisfaction to have the religion well
done. I think this will be a hard job.
aroused.

You will see I have anticipated
you about the Political Instructor
I sent 12 in the Beacon box, and
if you order more I shall be
for the completion sake. There is
not another person.

I never before knew ^{G. P. R. James} France was an
Irishman. I imagine it is true
if he says so - but he would not
make this boast in London. It
probably finds it more popular with
you. The Duke was a man of
great Modesty, with unyielding
unshakable military genius, & an
unerring sense of duty. But his
adulation does not suit such a man.
In moral stature I think him far
superior to Napoleon, and as he had
no ambition for strong sense of duty
he was one of the most perfect men in
all his career of all the distinguished
men that ever lived.

The advocates will show you what I
think of Daniel Webster - just as you
do - Yours truly

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